

I claim:

1. Apparatus for non-verbally communicating about, and for motivating a person about, winning in a team competition, which comprises:

a broom assembly, comprising a handle and a first group of figurines, each figurine connected in cantilever fashion to the handle;

a dustpan, proportioned for use with said broom assembly, having a bed for receiving objects; and,

a second group of figurines, each figurine having a distinct appearance from the figurines of the first group, the figurines dimensioned and shaped so that they may be received within the bed of the dustpan in reposed condition;

wherein the broom assembly is shaped for sweeping objects including said second group of figurines, into the bed of the dustpan.

2. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the figurines of the second group and first group have substantially similar sizes.

3. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein each figurine in the first group wears a first uniform, and each figurine of the second group wears a second uniform.

4. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein each figurine in the first group wears a first uniform, and wherein the figurines of the second group predominantly each wears a uniform which is different from said first uniform and different from each other.
5. The apparatus of claim 3, wherein the uniforms are simulative of sports team uniforms.
6. The apparatus of claim 4, wherein the uniforms are simulative of sports team uniforms.
7. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the preponderance of first group figurines are substantially identical to each other in posture and orientation.
8. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the first group figurines are aligned in a row; and wherein, each first group figurine is attached to the handle by its head.
9. The apparatus of claim 8, further comprising bristles extending from the broom handle, wherein each first group figurine is attached to the handle by means of said bristles.
10. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein at least one of said second group figurines is fastened to the bed of the dustpan.
11. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the broom handle is counter brush broom handle; and, wherein the first group figurines cantilever transversely to the length said handle.

12. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein said figurines are rigid or semi-rigid molded plastic.
13. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein a multiplicity of figurines in either said first group or said second group have separable sheet portions of uniforms attached to the surfaces thereof.
14. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the figurines are stylized human beings.
15. A kit comprised of a broom having a handle, a group of first figurines having uniforms representing a first sports team, each first figurine attached or attachable to the handle of the broom, to extend in cantilever fashion from the handle;
- a dustpan, proportioned for use with said broom, having a bed for receiving small objects;
- and,
- a second group of figurines having uniforms representing of one or more second sports team, having proportions like those of said first group figurines, and proportions which are small with respect to the dimensions of the bed of said the dustpan;
- wherein, the components of the kit may be assembled to form a broom assembly with said first group of figurines attached to said handle; wherein, said second group of figurines may be assembled to repose in the bed of said dustpan and thereby form a dustpan assembly; and, wherein said broom assembly and said dustpan assembly may be positioned in juxtaposition, to communicate a sports metaphor of "clean sweep".
16. The kit of claim 15 further comprising portions of uniforms which may be selectively affixed to the at least some of said figurines.

17. The method of non-verbally communicating a sports metaphor, which comprises:

providing a broom comprising a first group of figurines having first uniforms, which represent a first sports team, wherein the first group of figurines is cantilevered from a broom handle as a closely spaced apart and aligned group, like bristles of a normal broom; and,

providing a dustpan having a bed holding a second group of sports figurines, having proportions substantially similar to the first group, and having uniforms which represent one or more second sports teams;

wherein, the dustpan and broom are similarly proportioned for use with one another, so that the broom and first figurine group may be used to sweep the second figurine group into and about the dustpan.